



IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: SIMMONS, et al.)

Serial Number: 10/712,808)

Examiner: WOLLSCHLAGER, J.

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Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

MARCH 19, 2008

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Sir:

Applicants, through their representative, respectfully present the following reply to the official action mailed to the Applicants on November 13, 2007 in the matter of U.S. Application Serial Number 10/712,808.

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS

Claims 1, 2, 4 – 8, 10, 11 and 22 – 24 are currently pending in the instant application. Claims 3, 9 and 12 – 21 were canceled in a prior response.

Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to please cancel Claims 4, 10 and 24 without prejudice; to please amend Claims 1, 2, 5 – 8, 11, 22 and 23 as shown below; and to please add new Claims 25 – 27 as shown in the "Listing of Claims" below.

A listing of all the Claims and the status of each is included below with Applicants' reply to the Examiner's remarks following thereafter.